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AN AGGRESSIVE R. R. COMMISSION.

A Reduction in Telephone Rates
Ordered—Investigation of Af-
fairs of the Southern
Railway.

ADJUDGED IN CONTEMPT

For Refusing to Answer Questions and Comply with the Commissioners' Order—The Counsel for the Railroad Dictates the Answers put to Witnesses—The Commission Will Continue the Investigation Thursday.

The Railroad Commission held a two days' session last week. It proved very interesting, and it looked at one time as if some railroad officials and employees were to get into serious trouble.

Friday, the first day's session, the Commission investigated charges of discrimination in freight rates in favor of certain shippers of the Southern Railway.

The commission then took up telephone rates and adopted the following schedule, to take effect Feb. 1, 1898.

Place of business. Per year.

Special wire, \$30 00
2 and 3 party wire (each), 24 00
4 and 5 party wire (each), 18 00

This tariff does not apply to service rendered outside the corporate limits of any city or town in this State.

On this resolution Messrs. Caldwell and Pearson voted in the affirmative, Dr. Abbott voted in the negative, giving as his reason that the bill, if passed, would give the Commission power to fix rates against taking up the telephone rate question again.

I have been advised by the Attorney General and by my private counsel that the Railroad Commission has no jurisdiction over telephone exchanges.

After transacting the above business of minor importance, the Commission commenced an investigation of a charge against the Southern Railway, that it had given Mr. Otho Wilson and Mrs. Wilson, his mother, while Mr. Wilson was Railroad Commissioner, special freight rates when carrying freight to Round Knob last summer.

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NORTH CAROLINA R. R. LEASE.

Case Before Mr. Craig Postponed Until the 12th.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., January 7.—A special from Salisbury, N. C., to the *News and Observer* says: No testimony was heard before Special-Master Craig in the lease case today. The attorneys for the plaintiffs had expected to examine Colonel A. B. Andrews, first vice-president of the Southern railroad, this morning, but after consultation with him, agreed on an adjournment of the case until next Wednesday, the 12th instant, when the plaintiffs, the Southern railroad, the Central Trust Company, and the old Board of Directors of the North Carolina railroad, will continue the giving of evidence, when they may be called to the charge of trial.

Col. Andrews said Mr. Busbee, "that the Southern Railway Company is not called on to furnish evidence of its own violation of the law of the land. It is possible that Mr. Munson's evidence might do this. And I ask now if his testimony is not desired for the purpose of showing a violation of section 1 of the Railroad Commission Act."

Chairman Caldwell:—"The question is competent in two aspects: Either as giving us information on which to base rates, or as showing that the Southern Railway has been violating the law of the land, and that the railroad is outside the case the witness cannot shelter himself behind the constitutional provision against discriminating himself. He is only an agent and it is against the principal that an action must lie for any violation of the law."

Mr. Busbee: I wish to ask another question. Suppose the witness should answer the question you ask in such a way as to show that a plain statute had been violated, would the witness, as agent be indicable for aiding and abetting the misdemeanor?"

Chairman Caldwell:—"It is not our purpose to put the information to that use."

Mr. Busbee:—"But that makes no difference, this Commission cannot control the criminal courts or say what shall be done with the grand jury."

The Commission ruled that the testimony was competent and that they had a right to know the facts.

Then the examination of Mr. Munson continued, but he declined to answer any material question asked him.

Mr. Henry C. Miller, Private Secretary to Col. A. B. Andrews, was then called to furnish information as to the issuance of free passes by the Southern in the years '95, '96 and '97.

Chairman Caldwell asked Mr. Miller to state what he had done in connection with the free passes issued by the North Carolina road have been issued and given by the Southern.

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THE OVERSEER'S CONTEMPT.

The new Railroad Commissioners have begun well, and if "the judiciary is not exhausted," will doubtless in due time present to the people sworn testimony giving the inside facts and workings of some of gigantic corporations in this State.

These organizations have amassed fortunes, collected and robbed from the tax-payer and the toiler. The people and the courts are entitled to know the means by which they have accumulated these ill-gotten gains and definite information as to their methods of handling men and manipulating legislatures and Judges and Senators and Governors and Railroads. Commissioners, so as to secure favorable judgments and favorable legislation. The people are demanding these things and they will have them. We dare say that the investigations concerning the transactions of 1868-9 would prove tame in comparison to some of later date with the experience of thirty years and the additional horde of trained lawyers, "professional" witnesses and hired newspaper correspondents.

Last week was witnessed a most extraordinary scene in North Carolina. Col. Andrews, the overseer, and Miller, Munson and Potts, other agents of the foreign bondholders and oppressors of the people, were subpoenaed to appear as witnesses before the Railroad Commission and produce the books and papers of the corporation which they serve, in order to give the Commission information as to discriminations in freight rates and passenger fares.

Their answers elsewhere printed are not only a contempt of the court, but also to the people of the State. To conceal their plans and plots to tamper with public servants is to strike at the foundation of popular government and free institutions. There is a constitutional inhibition against secret political organizations, but there seems to be no check to the schemes and machinations of those who have banded themselves together for the purpose of public plunder. The time has come when the State must be supreme or the corporations must rule and enslave the people.

Whatever may be the legal technicalities which the law-makers have improvised to shield the criminal, the moral fact remains that the reply of these men, "I REFUSE TO ANSWER FOR FEAR THAT I MAY CRIMINATE MYSELF" is the boldest confession of guilt.

Andrews, himself an hired man and hired to shield his masters, and the other hirings of this foreign corporation knew the information which they refused to give. Their motives in trying to conceal this information from the courts and the public are not far to seek. They knew that if the proper authorities got possession of the facts in the form of sworn evidence from them, that the corporations which feed and clothe them and hire attorneys to put answers in their mouths would be convicted for their avaritism in the courts. They knew that if they furnished this evidence the places which know them now would soon know them no more forever.

They have served their masters, and shown their insolence and contempt for authority as heretofore; but if aught of power and virtue remains in the arm of the State, these men should be made to purge themselves of their contempt for the courts and the people. They should be made to know that the day has passed when a railroad magnate or any other corporation can say with impunity, "The people be damned."

THEY ANT HARMONY.

The Committee of the Nashville conference recently held a meeting at which they passed a set of resolutions, and then called another meeting for January 12th announcing that the purpose of that meeting was to call a national convention representing their faction for April of this year to nominate Presidential candidates for 1900. They also passed a resolution announcing that the national committee of the Peoples Party might meet in St. Louis on the same day and see this crazy, not to say treasonable, action taken by a faction of the party. At the instigation of this movement began to announce through the public press that the national committee had been invited to meet with them for the purpose of harmony. This statement was absurd on its face, if they meant what they said in their resolutions about nominating a Presidential candidate of their own in 1898, for the campaign of 1900. Besides they took care not to communicate with the chairman of the national committee requesting a meeting of the committee or even informing the official organization of their action. On January 3rd, however, Mr. Parks, the chairman of this Nashville committee, wired to the national chairman that he and those associated with him wanted a meeting of the national committee in St. Louis on January 12th. Chairman Butler promptly replied by telegram,

and also followed the telegram with a letter saying that he would not take the responsibility of calling a meeting of the national committee without first submitting the question and the purpose for which the meeting was desired to the full committee by referendum vote as provided for in the plan of organization of the party; and that besides the Nashville committee, and those associated with them, must express their willingness to abide by the action of the committee if it should assemble to pass upon the questions raised. He called attention to the fact that if all of those who held different opinions as to the policy of the party would go before a meeting of the National Committee and submit their propositions and then abide by the official determination of the committee, that, and that alone, would secure harmony, and that those who did not do so clearly did not want harmony, and were already in the position of busters. Chairman Butler went further and announced that he would urge as early a meeting of the committee as possible if this proposition was satisfactory. This position taken by the chairman will test the sincerity of the Nashville committee. Their action in response to this eminently fair and just position will be awaited with interest.

SCANDAL MONGERS.

Once or twice during the past two years, attention has been directed to the fact that the Legislature of 1898 has found it necessary, in the interest of the State, to officially declare the Democratic press of North Carolina to be a collective *cumulator* and *liar*. The fact was quite well known to the people living within State lines, and therefore the action was taken to simply advise people living in other States who might happen to read that press that it was false, fraudulent and malicious in its course.

This action of the Legislature was amply justified at the time (1898) and since that time this same Democratic press has pursued such a course as can only give emphasis to what the Legislature declared. There was some hope and some little expectation that the election of 1896, by which the followers of this mass of dirty documents called the Democratic press were defeated by forty thousand majority, would indicate to them the necessity of trying to act with some decency and sense. The "indication" was emphatic enough, but it failed because of an absolute absence of capacity on the part of the Democratic sheets to understand what is meant by decency and sense. They have grown more false and filthy than ever. The only apparent effort made by them is to lie about something or to try to distort into rascality and crime a simple occurrence which might happen at any time with anybody. An instance of their effort to lie about somebody can be easily settled in the incident of Senator Butler's Rocky Mount speech. The charge hatched up and started at that point has been denounced as untrue and malicious by more men of character than could be found in the State to testify to any decency shown by the Democratic press.

Another instance of an ATTEMPTED lie and a most malevolent and villainous distortion of facts is printed on the first page of this issue. The champion scandal monger and filth-spewer led off as usual, and made a great fanfare over nothing. It was an attempt to besmirch and stain the character of a man whose official books showed a little error which was not of personal advantage to himself. The sum of \$3.00 in favor of the public fund was magnified into a discrepancy of five hundred dollars against that man.

Read the parallel reports in the central column of the first page, and then decide for yourself as to whether there is a bigger liar extant than the slanderous and rascally sheet that put out the report. This kind of thing is going on all the time in the dirty Democratic press, and from the nature of things it will continue to go on.

Lynchites.

Major Wright, after consulting several ministers of the gospel and lawyers of the city, has ordered the police to arrest any Lynchites who attempt to preach their doctrines, either in public or private meetings, in this city. The action was taken when it was stated that that unwelcome gang intended to visit Wilmington.

South Dakota Fellow North Carolinian.
Nonconformist.]

The Populists of South Dakota are making a combined effort to fight the Populists of North Carolina. The former are on the side of the Populists of the South. Gov. Lee has given \$1,000 to assist in the prosecution. South Dakota is warming up, look out for results. The Popes are beginning to locate themselves since their legislative entanglements last year.

McBrayer Not in It.

Raleigh Times.]

The Republican Monday, who had heard from Washington, says that the poster of George C. Ladd, an informant of the Populists, has not appointed John C. McBrayer as postmaster at Shelby, because of the affidavits reflecting upon his character. Linney has been fighting for McBrayer and Fortune has been fighting him. It looks like fortune favors Fortune.

The Goldbug Who Wrote That Silver (?) Address.

Progressive Farmer.]

The Winston Republican says that a country Democrat asked who is General Winston who drew up those resolutions at the meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee.

When told that he was a renegade Republican and voted for Cleveland, he sighed and said, "if a radical writes the Democratic platform I'll be darned if I will vote it tick."

Fighting Plutocracy.

The New Time in its January number sounds the keynote of the opposition to the currency plans of President McKinley and Secretary Gage. This able magazine is now the recognized leader in the fight against the money power.

"The Money Power and Its Result" is the subject discussed by Charles A. Towne, the brilliant chairman of the Silver Republican National Committee. He handles Comptroller Eckels without gloves, and charges him with deliberate ignorance on the subject under discussion. Mr. Towne accuses the Republican party leaders with despicable duplicity and the betrayal of solemn pledges.

The Menace of Plutocracy is discussed by Congressman M. W. Howard of Alabama. Among the famous contributors to this splendid number are Prof. W. H. H. Lecky, of the English Parliament; Congressman D. B. Henderson, of Iowa; Congressman Stark, of Nebraska; Prof. J. R. Commons, of Syracuse, University; Hon. W. C. Brattain, of the Whigs; Prof. "Single Tax and Labor" John W. Breidenbach, Senator Marion Butler, Helen M. Gougar, Imagine C. Fales, Rev. Myron W. Reed, Senator William M. Stewart, Prof. Frank Parsons and many of the best writers and leaders of the country.

Twenty-five illustrations, including several striking cartoons, are scattered through the pages of the January New Time. This magazine has passed the 50,000 mark, and is a power to be reckoned with. Chicago has at last a magazine of the first rank. Publishers, Charles H. Kerr & Company, 56 Fifth avenue, Chicago.

Burglars in Durham.

Your story was published in one

night in Durham: In one store the

burglars secured about \$200 worth of

goods but in the others not much was

taken as nothing of value could be

done.

It is a delight to read The New

Time. This magazine is waging splen-

dful warfare against plutocracy and is

entitled to the hearty support of the

people. Forward us \$1 and we will

send in your subscription. Better yet,

send \$1.75 and receive The New Time

and The CAUCASIAN for one year.

It seems that the cotton mills are

bound to come South, where the cot-

ton fields are, as it is appearing now

more and more clearly every day.

"A DELUGE OF POLITICAL BILLINGSGATE"

"Which is Becoming Disgusting to All Decent and Fair-Minded Men."

Truckers and Planters' Journal.]

We think the Democratic press of the State has now gone to the limit in its effort to malign Senator Butler on account of the statements attributed to him in his Rocky Mount speech. His denials made through THE CAUCASIAN are complete, and every fair-minded man will accept them. We don't believe Senator Butler used the language in the form attributed to him, and we don't believe the Democratic press of the State believes he is capable of such language. The attack is simply a deluge of political billingsgate, which is becoming very disgusting to all decent people.

BABY'S SMOOTH, FAIR SKIN

A Grateful Mother Writes this Letter—

Tells all about Her Troubles when Baby Broke out with Scrofula Sores.

"At the age of two months, my baby began to have sores break out on his right cheek. We used all the external applications that we could think of or hear of, with no avail. The sores spread all over one side of his face. We applied a poultice, and tried his medicine, and in a week the sore was gone. But to my surprise in two weeks more another scrofula looking sore appeared on baby's arm. It grew worse and worse, and when he was three months old, I began giving him Hood's Sarsaparilla. I also took Hood's Sarsaparilla, and before the first bottle was finished, the sores were well and have never returned. He is now four years old, but he has never had any sign of those scrofula sores since he was cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, for which I feel very grateful. My boy owes his good health and smooth, fair skin to this great medicine." Mrs. S. S. WROTHEN, Farmington, Delaware.

Get only Hood's.

Hood's Pills are prompt, efficient and easy in effect. 25 cents.

SACRIFICE AND COURAGE.

Bryan Wants Democrats, Populists, and Silver Republicans to Unite.

COLUMBUS, Jan. 10.—W. B. Bryan, in concluding a speech before the Bryan League at the Tremont House during a banquet held after the Auditorium meeting early this morning, made some remarks which are interpreted as showing his intentions if he is not nominated for the Presidency in 1900. In making up his next Presidential election.

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Children's Corner

Lissa, N. C. Jan. 1, 1898.
Mr. EDITOR.—It has been quite a long time since I wrote to the well-known editor so I'll write again. Well Christmas has passed and a new year come, and it is now time to lay aside fun and go to work. I have been going to Glenwood school ever since Aug. 2d 1897 but want to back the spring term. Will go to Holly Grove. Will answer Rosie West's question. There are 32,000 promises in the Bible.

I will ask a few questions.

Which is the longest chapter in the Bible? The shortest?

How many chapters does the Old and New Testament contain?

I will close wishing THE CAUCASIN and Cousin's much success.

Yours truly,
ELLA L. MCARTHUR.

NEWPORT, N. C. Jan. 3, 1898.
DEAR COUSINS.—I will now attempt to write my first letter to the cousins. I am a little girl 12 years old. I go to school and like my teacher very much. His name is J. L. Woodard.

We spent two days of our Christmas at Morehead, four of our cousins came out in the country to visit us, we and, had a jolly Christmas.

I will ask one question and answer one.

Dismal Swamp is in Virginia; the name of the lake in it is Drumon. Where is the longest Chapter in the Bible?

Your Cousin,
ETTA OGLESBY.

NEWPORT, N. C. Jan. 3, 1898.

DEAR COUSINS.—I will try to write my first letter to THE CAUCASIN. I am a little girl ten years old and live in the country 3 miles from Newport. I have one sister and no brother. We go to school at Newport. We go home every Friday.

I will answer one question.

Mr. Hobby taught George Washington his multiplication table and long division.

I will close by asking who taught George Washington to survey land?

Your Cousin,
ADDIE OGLESBY.

MINGO, N. C. Jan. 8, 1898.

MR. EDITOR.—As I have not seen any letters from Mingo lately, I will try to write one. My father takes THE CAUCASIN and I like to read it very much.

I will ask the cousins a few questions.

Which is the second oldest town in the United States?

What was the fugitive slave law?

What mountain range crosses North Carolina?

Wishing THE CAUCASIN much success I will close.

MARY E. TEW.

Abuse is, After Imitation, the Sincerest Flattery.

Louisville Courier-Journal.]

Next after imitation, the sincerest form of flattery is abuse. The man who constantly abuses another severely admires him. Abuse is the offspring of enmity, or of envy. We do not abuse those who are not in our way. We do not abuse those whom we hold in contempt. We abuse only those whom at heart we consider above us or beyond us; it being understood that abuse is an insect indigenous to small minds, which works its way to the surface, impelled by the sense of inferiority, and pays unconscious homage through the medium of bitter words.

At the time, the Courier-Journal has encountered not a little of flattery, disguised as abuse. It has appreciated this at its full value. It has accepted it as so much tribute to its power and its truth. Never for a moment has it held it either in resentment or disdain; for it well knows that, when it is no longer abused, it will be no longer vital.

Living for Political Capital.

The Wilmington New Era.]

Since the corporation journals and those who are small enough to be extreme partisans before they are just have failed to make any fair-minded man believe that Senator Butler made use of the language that these high-handed tools would have the people believe, the Argonaut has come out now and says that the Senator did not say that the Democrats would hire the negroes to commit rape as it first charged.

Now will some of these (mo) sheets be manly enough to admit that it was the Argonaut which exposed their secret?

We heartily recommend Hattaway, of the South Broad St. Atlanta, Ga., as being perfectly reliable and remarkably successful in the treatment of chronic diseases of men and women. They cure where others fail.

Our readers if in need of medical help should apply to him. He is a member of the Atlanta Medical Association, and hereby approves the platform of the People's Party adopted at its National Convention held in the city of St. Louis, July 22, 1896.

THE ELECTION LAW.

We hereby reaffirm our fixed determination to support and maintain a free ballot and a fair count in all elections held in North Carolina, and the law passed by the General Assembly of 1895, which has our hearty endorsement and approval; and we hereby pledge the People's Party to the protection of the people of North Carolina and their election rights.

The leading Reform review is now edited upon its ninth year. Its career has been one of prolonged effort for the advancement of true reform and the propagation of measures for the betterment of the people. To-day THE ARENA is better, more virile than ever. It is in the front of the nation and at the head of the cause.

LEGAL TENDER MONEY.

The act of the last General Assembly respecting the right of local self-government by the election of their county commissioners, and the principles embodied in the Constitution of the Republic and also to the fundamental principles of just government as enunciated in the platform of the party in 1892.

The fight the Senator has made is for the benefit of the great masses, and it matters not what these corporations papers, with these little "me too" partisans sheets may say; the people have learned that liars can write, and great deal must be taken for granted when it comes from a paper of that kind. In our mind it is a compliment to have corporations down on men in high places—then you may know that the fellow is fighting them and he has not sold out.

OD Bits of Information.

Atlanta Constitution.]

Since the beginning of this century not fewer than fifty-two volcanic islands have arisen out of the sea. Nineteen of that number have since disappeared, and ten are now inhabitated.

Russia will at once begin the work of double-tracking her entire railway system and is negotiating with the Shah of Persia for a road connecting the Caspian Sea with the Persian Gulf.

The cotton seed industry of the South amounts to 4,000,000 tons annually, valued at \$113,000,000. In 1897 there were only four mills in operation; in 1898 there were over 300, with more than \$50,000,000 invested.

About thirty thousand bales of cotton are booked for shipment to Japan this winter from the single port of Seattle. This is said to be 50 per cent more in value than the value of all American exports to Japan during the season of 1894-'95.

Easy to Take Easy to Operate Hood's Pills

Are features peculiar to Hood's Pills. Small in size, tasteless, efficient, thorough. As one man said: "You never kill till it is over." McC. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

The only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY

Irish Masonry of Last Century—McGraw's Safety of Acetylene—Polar Telegraphy.

A singular discovery was lately made by a firm of Belfast contractors, who had undertaken to restore the leaning spire of an ancient church at Newmarket, County Cork. On attempting to take down the spire, it was found that the stones were so firmly bound to one another, with a combination of molten lead and sand, which rendered it absolutely impossible to separate one stone from another, the whole building, in fact, had been erected with no mortar except the mixture of lead and sand. As the spire could not be taken down, it was ingeniously moved entire, and brought back to its original perpendicular position.

Acetylene gas has proven to be extremely explosive under a pressure of somewhat less than two atmospheres, but reasonably free from liability to explode unless mixed with air or oxygen at less than an atmosphere and a half. The British Home Office has decided to consider it safe under a pressure of twenty inches of water above that of the atmosphere—or an atmosphere and a twentieth—while regarding it as subject to the act regulating explosives if greater pressure is used. The French authorities have fixed the danger line at an atmosphere and a tenth, and restrict the keeping or making of the gas at higher pressure.

Improved methods of signaling will be an important future polar exploration. The apparatus of Mr. E. S. Bruce, as described at the London Imperial Institute, includes a small captive balloon lighted inside by incandescent lamps, and this is to be fixed to the ship or taken away by an exploring party, in either case serving as a beacon for the return of the ship or taken away by railroads and other corporations in excess of their actual needs, should no lawful means be found for their removal. The system, being a necessity for the transmission of news should be owned and operated by the government in the interest of people.

LAND.

1. The true policy demands that the nation and State begin to share in the ultimate ownership of land, and that the people, in their true intent and spirit, demand that the laws now applicable thereto be executed and administered according to their true intent and spirit.

2. We denounce the present infamous and unconstitutional legislation which demands that the laws now applicable thereto be executed and administered according to their true intent and spirit.

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